

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, on October 18, 1982, Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus of the State of Wisconsin and Governor Chen Lei of Heilongjiang Province signed an Agreement on the Establishment of Relations of Friendship; and

WHEREAS, "Based on the principles of equality, mutual respect and reciprocal benefit," the two parties agreed to "develop cooperation and exchanges in cultural, economic, educational, scientific, sports, technical, tourist, trade, and other fields with a view to promoting the prosperity and well-being of Heilongjiang Province and the State of Wisconsin;" and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's ties to Heilongjiang are strong, thanks to a trusting relationship developed through yearly agricultural missions by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to Heilongjiang, and the activities conducted through the sister-state agreement;

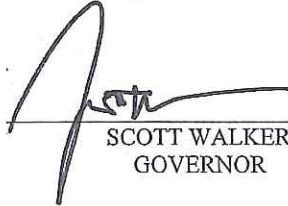
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 17, 2013, as

WISCONSIN - HEILONGJIANG SISTER STATE DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 9th day of April 2013.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State